

NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 14 November 2018.

NHS Tayside wishes to advise you that there are exemptions applicable to the information requested. Please refer to the exemptions section of this correspondence.

### Extract from Request

"I am writing to get information on how many mental health nursing staff you provide in Scottish prisons in your NHS Board area, in this case at Castle Huntly and Perth prisons.

For each of the institutions I am looking for the following information for the last five years:

how many mental health nursing staff are available 9am-6pm.

how many mental health nursing staff are available 6pm-9am

how many mental health nursing staff are available on Saturday and Sunday

For each year could you please specify if any mental health nursing staff have on long-term sick leave and for how long? "

### Response

Please see tables below:

Where the values of statistics provided in the following tables fall below 5 but are greater than 0, these statistics are represented by '<5'. Due to the small numbers of patients involved further detail cannot be provided as disclosure of the information may lead to the identification of individuals.

<b>2018</b>	<b>HMP Perth Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff</b>	<b>HMP Castle Huntly Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff</b>
9am - 6pm	2 (7-3 pm) 1 (8-4 pm)	1 Mental Health Nurse
6pm – 9am	1 (30/07/18*)	Nil
Sat/Sunday	1 (30/07/18*)	Nil
Long Term Sickness Absence	<5 Mental Health Nurse	None

*\*Date post commenced*



<b>2017</b>	<b>HMP Perth Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff</b>	<b>HMP Castle Huntly Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff</b>
9am - 6pm	3 (7-3 hours)	1 Mental Health Nurse
6pm – 9am	1 (11/09/17*)	Nil
Sat/Sunday	1 (09/10/17*)	Nil
Long Term Sickness Absence	None	None

\*Date post commenced

<b>2016</b>	<b>HMP Perth Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff</b>	<b>HMP Castle Huntly Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff</b>
9am - 6pm	4	1 Mental Health Nurse
6pm – 9am	Nil	Nil
Sat/Sunday	Nil	Nil
Long Term Sickness Absence	None	None



2015	HMP Perth Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff	HMP Castle Huntly Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff
9am - 6pm	4	1 Mental Health Nurse
6pm – 9am	Nil	Nil
Sat/Sunday	Nil	Nil
Long Term Sickness Absence	None	None

2014	HMP Perth Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff	HMP Castle Huntly Number of Mental Health Nursing Staff
9am - 6pm	4	1 Mental Health Nurse
6pm – 9am	Nil	Nil
Sat/Sunday	Nil	Nil
Long Term Sickness Absence	None	None

**Exemptions Section** – application of Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 exemptions and Data Protection Act 2018 Principles.

Document Ref.	FOISA Exemption Applied	Justification
IGTFOISA5606	Section 38 (1) (a) – Personal Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information relating to an individual is personal information.</li><li>• Disclosure of information which would allow the identification of individuals would be in breach of confidentiality and Data Protection principles.</li></ul>

Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commission.

**A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and addressed to:**

Tayside NHS Board Secretary  
Tayside NHS Board Headquarters  
Ninewells Hospital & Medical School  
Dundee  
DD1 9SY

**If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:**

Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kinburn Castle  
Doubledykes Road  
St Andrews  
Fife  
KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: [www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal)



Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002  
Response to correspondence dated 14 November 2018  
Request: Mental Health Nursing staff in NHS Board area  
Applicant: Media  
Reference: IGTFIOISA 5606

**If you have any queries about this correspondence, please contact:**

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